



**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP ART UNIT 1733**
Attorney Docket No. 7040.0054.01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Riccardo CESARINI et al.)
Application Serial No.: 10/679,357) Group Art Unit: 1733
Filed: October 7, 2003) Examiner: Maki, S.D.
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FOR VEHICLES)

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the final Office Action mailed May 2, 2006, the period for response to which has been extended through November 2, 2006, by a Petition for Extension of Time of three months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 25 of this paper.